

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An optical transmission system accomplishes optical transmission to a long distance by combining a multiplexing line terminal with optical amplifiers, 5 linear repeaters, and regenerators with optical amplifiers combined together. The system also accomplishes the optical transmission to a short distance by directly connecting the linear terminals therebetween, with an electric-to-optic converter replaced by an electric-to-optic converter having a 10 semiconductor amplifier, with an optic-toelectric converter by an optic-to-electric converter having an avalanche photodiode as light receiver, and with no use of any optical booster amplifier and optical preamplifier in the multiplexing line terminal. With 15 these, the optical transmission system can be easily constructed depending on the transmission distance required.